CHAPTER NO. 800

HOUSE BILL NO. 3316

By Representative Mike Turner

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3307

By Senator Haynes

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 28, Part 1, relative to residential landlord registration.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 28, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

Section 66-28-107.

- (a) Each landlord of one (1) or more dwelling units is required to furnish the following information with the agency or department of local government that is responsible for enforcing building codes in the jurisdiction where the dwelling units are located:
 - (1) The landlord's name, address and telephone number, or the name, address and telephone number of the landlord's agent; and
 - (2) The street address and unit number, as appropriate, for each dwelling unit that the landlord owns, leases, or subleases or has the right to own, lease, or sublease. The information required under this subsection shall be furnished on a form provided by the agency or department responsible for enforcing building codes. Such agency or department is authorized to collect from a landlord filing such form a fee not to exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) per year.

(b)

- (1) Any landlord who fails to register as required by this section shall be assessed a fine in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per week by the agency or department of local government that is responsible for enforcing building codes in the jurisdiction where the dwelling units are located.
- (2) Prior to the assessment of such a fine the landlord shall be given an opportunity to appear and be heard at a hearing to be held concerning the landlord's failure to register. A written notice of the date, time and place of such a hearing shall be mailed the landlord at least fifteen (15) days prior to such scheduled hearing.

(c) This section shall only apply to any county having a metropolitan form of government and a population in excess of five hundred thousand (500,000) according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 15, 2006

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOME OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 26th day of May 2006

PHIL BREDESEN GOVERNOR